

Mr. Gledhill presented a Petition from 168 inhabitants of the Province of New Plymouth, of various Religious Denominations, praying the House to pass a Bill to regulate the Law of Marriage.—Petition ordered to be received.

Mr. Carleton gave notice that, to-morrow, he would move that an address be presented to His Excellency the Officer administering the Government, praying that a copy of the Report of the Resident Magistrate, at Russell, respecting the fire on the premises of E. W. Cook, which took place July 25th, 1852, may be laid on the table of this House.

Mr. Travers, with the leave of the House, postponed the motion standing in his name, No. 6 on this day's paper, till to-morrow.

Major Greenwood gave notice that on the Waste Lands Bill going into Committee he would move certain amendments, which he read, and which were ordered to be placed on the notice paper for to-morrow.

Mr. Travers gave notice that on the Waste Lands Bill going into Committee, he would move clauses for providing the remission of purchase money upon the purchase of all lands, to all persons of the working classes settling in the Colony, to the extent of the purchase money which would be payable on the passage money of such persons from Great Britain to the Colony, according to the current rate of steerage passage; the clauses ordered to be printed on the notice paper for to-morrow.

Mr. E. G. Wakefield gave notice that on the Waste Lands Bill going into Committee, he would move certain amendments which were ordered to be placed on the notice paper for to-morrow.

Mr. Jerningham Wakefield gave notice that on the motion for the Waste Lands Bill to be committed, he would move as an amendment that the Bill be committed that day six months.

Mr. Mackay brought up the report of the Committee on the Nelson Trust Funds Bill.

Report read and adopted.

On motion of Dr. Monro the Bill was ordered to be read a third time to-morrow.

Mr. Wakefield, according to notice, moved the adoption of the Resolution standing in his name, No. 1 on this day's paper, to which by leave of the House he added the following words "whilst on the other hand that Province ought to bear the whole of any debt incurred for its exclusive advantage."

Mr. Kelham seconded the motion.—Debate ensued.

Question put.—House divided.

AYES—30.

Messrs. King

Cutten

Ludlam

Wortley

Monro

Brown

Major Gray

Messrs. Fitzgerald

Taylor

Merriman

Kelham

Rhodes

Picard

Mackay

Weld

Greenwood

Cargill

O'Neill

Forsaith

Gledhill

Bacot

E. J. Wakefield

Lee

Sewell

E. G. Wakefield

Moorhouse

Porter

Crompton

Carleton

Macandrew (teller).

NOE—1.

Mr. Revans.